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In re Application of:

Helmut Windl et al.

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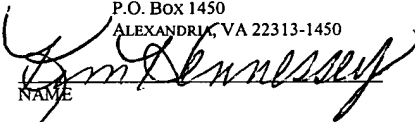
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111 TO
NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 22, 2004**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2004, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments set forth below and requests favorable action thereon.

The three-month shortened statutory period for reply will be due July 22, 2004, therefore, this response is considered to be filed timely.